



Guardian Angel Cathedral

NOVEMBER 2009

Volunteer and Staff Newsletter

Las Vegas, Nevada

Meetings and Committees

- **Television**
Tues Nov 17 – 6:30pm
Michael La Rocca
GAC Ofc: 735-5241
- **Senior Club**
Tues. Nov 3 – 1pm
Call: 363-6820
- **Oktoberfest**
Edgar Velazquez/Chair
Call: 813-2657
Barbara Burke/Crafts
Call: 871-9065
Theresa Gagliano/
Bake Sale
Call: 658-3211
- **St. Joseph's Table**
Julie Andriaccio/Chair
Call: 735-1065
- ***Meetings held in
Anderson Hall***

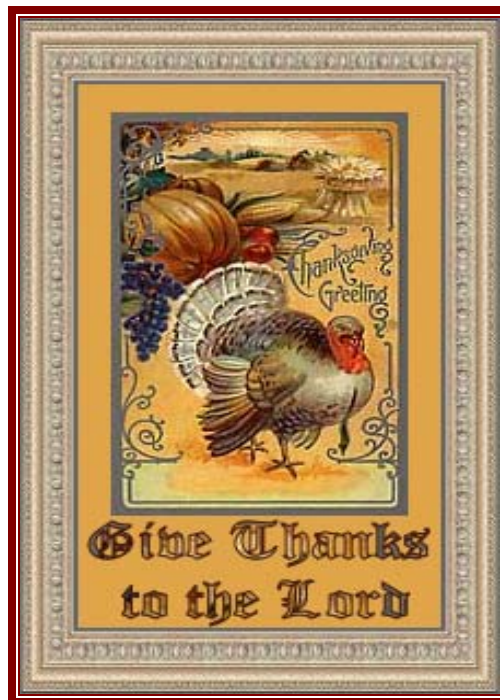
Music

- **Cantors, Holiday &
Men's Chorus**
Debbie Cenna/GAC
Music Dir.
Call: 612-4466
- **Diocesan/Cathedral
Choir**
Mondays 7pm
Marek Rachelski/Dir.
Call: 565-5060

GAC Office Closed

Thurs & Fri Nov 26 & 27
for Thanksgiving

A THANKSGIVING HISTORY



of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility and Union."

On June 20, 1676, the governing council of Charlestown, Massachusetts, held a meeting to determine how best to express thanks for the good fortune that had seen their community securely established. By unanimous vote they instructed Edward Rawson, the clerk, to proclaim June 29 as a day of thanksgiving, our first. Then in 1863 the following proclamation was given by the 16th President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln.

"I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday

The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade began in 1924 as the official start of the holiday season. Football games started being played on Thanksgiving in 1934 with the Detroit Lions and the Chicago Bears, Congress officially set the 4th Thursday in November as the national holiday 1941, and 45-million turkeys are eaten each Thanksgiving in the U.S.

On behalf of Bishop Pepe, Fr. Lentz, and everyone at GAC... have a Blessed and Wonderful Thanksgiving!

2009 Christmas Mass Schedule

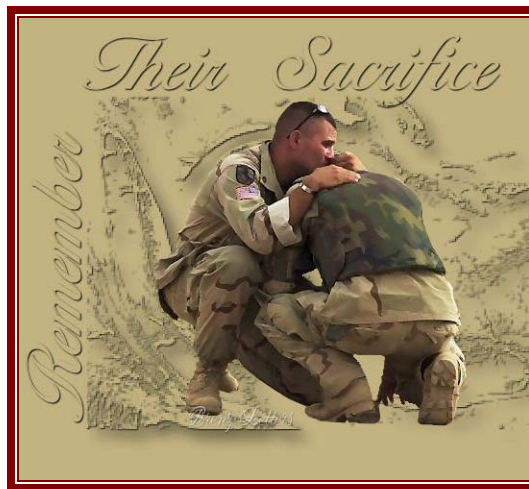
- **Christmas Eve**
4pm/2:30 Sat crew
5:30pm/4 Sat crew
7pm/5:30 Sat crew
- **Christmas Midnight Mass LIVE Telecast**
12mid to 1:30am on KLAS TV Channel 8
- **Christmas Day**
8am/Sun crew
9:30am/Sun crew
11am/Sun crew
12:30pm/Sun crew
NO 5PM MASS

2010 Workshops

- **Liturgical Ministries**
EM's Tues Jan 19, May 18 & Sept 21 @ 6:30pm
Lectors Wed Jan 20, May 19 & Sept 22 @ 6:30pm
Servers Sat Jan 23 @ 9:00am / Thurs May 20 & Sept 23 @ 6:30pm
- You must attend a workshop once a year for each ministry in which you are involved. *All workshops in the Church & will not exceed 3hrs.*

- The Monthly Schedule & Newsletter can be found online at: lasvegas-diocese.org
Go to Parishes, and click on the GAC page.
- Deadline for schedule conflicts 15th of the month.
- **Contact: Michael La Rocca, Dir. Liturgical Ministries**
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VETERANS DAY November 11th

Remember Their Sacrifice

Do we remember? How far back do we remember? The Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Spanish-American War, Civil War, World War I, World War II, Korean War, Viet Nam War, Desert Storm and The War on Terror. For over 200 years American soldiers have been fighting and dying to protect our freedoms and the freedom of people around the world. Let us take time to pray for all of the men and women in our Military who have served and who are currently serving our country with courage, fortitude and American pride.

MIDNIGHT MASS PARTICIPANTS If you have signed up as a volunteer or you are scheduled to serve for the Christmas Midnight Mass Telecast you will need to attend the following meetings and rehearsal if you would like to participate. Two Television Ministry meetings on Tuesday November 17, and Wednesday December 9 at 6:30 pm in Anderson Hall. The Midnight Mass rehearsal on Wednesday December 23, is broken down as follows: 3:00 pm – Acolytes & Deacon, 5:00 pm – Lectors, 5:30 pm – Knights of Columbus, 6:00 to 9:30 pm – Full Company (this means everyone) including Choir, Cantors, Instrumentalists, Ushers, EM's, Acolytes, Deacon, Lectors, and Knights of Columbus.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM BOOK AD DEADLINE NOV 17th Memorial and Business ads for our Souvenir Christmas Program Book are now **On Sale**. You may purchase an ad from any of our TV Ministry Volunteers, from Michael in the Cathedral Office, or review the ad prices online at www.lasvegas-diocese.org.

2010 DIRECTORY INFORMATION FORMS Information forms for the 2010 GAC Ministry Directory are in the Vesting Room. **YOU MUST** fill out a new form and submit the form **by 12:00 noon Friday November 6, 2009**. If you do not fill out a new form this may prevent you from receiving an invitation to the 2010 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner in January.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE to benefit our Christmas Midnight Mass Telecast is underway. Tickets are \$1 per chance and books of ten for \$10. First Prize is \$1,000 Cash. 2nd Prize is \$300, 3rd Prize is \$200, and 4th Prize is \$100. Drawing will be held Christmas Day at 12:00 Noon. Winner need not be present. Our Knights will be outside the Cathedral after all Masses from now until Christmas. **Purchase your Raffle Tickets Today!!!**

2010 LECTOR WORKBOOKS ARE IN Please see Michael to receive your copy of the 2010 Lector Workbook. Only one book per household. The Workbooks begin **Year C** on the First Sunday of Advent, November 29th. **Reminder:** When there are readings for a Vigil and Mass of the Day we will always use the readings from the **Mass of the Day**, with the exception of **Christmas** when all of the readings are taken from the **Mass at Midnight**. When there is an A or B choice in readings, or a long and short version, always **check with the Celebrant** for the Mass.

DECEMBER, CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE CONFLICTS Please have your conflicts for December, Christmas & New Year's in as soon as possible. **Immaculate Conception (5pm Mon 12/7 & 8am, 12:10pm, 5pm Tues 12/8), Christmas Eve, Christmas Day (see schedule top left column) and New Year's Day (8am & 12:10pm)**. Also, if you can serve more than one Mass on Christmas Eve or Day please include that in your note. As a general rule, those who serve on Saturday will serve Christmas Eve, and those who serve on Sunday will serve Christmas Day.